

(1) The term “acquire” means to come into possession of, whether directly or indirectly, through a sale, trade, exchange, or other transaction, and the term “acquisition” means the act of acquiring.

(2) The term “Federal lands” means lands that are owned by the United States, but does not include any lands the title to which is—

(A) held in trust by the United States for the benefit of any Indian tribe or individual,

(B) held by any Indian tribe or individual subject to a restriction by the United States against alienation, or

(C) held by any Native Corporation as defined in section 1602 of title 43.

(3) The term “person” means any individual, partnership, corporation, association, or other legal entity and includes any subsidiary, subcontractor, or parent company, and business affiliates where 1 affiliate controls or has the power to control the other or when both are controlled directly or indirectly by a third person.

(4) The term “private lands” means lands held or owned by a person. Such term does not include Federal lands or public lands, or any lands the title to which is—

(A) held in trust by the United States for the benefit of any Indian tribe or individual,

(B) held by any Indian tribe or individual subject to a restriction by the United States against alienation, or

(C) held by any Native Corporation as defined in section 1602 of title 43.

(5) The term “public lands” means lands west of the 100th meridian in the contiguous 48 States, that are held or owned by a State or political subdivision thereof, or any other public agency. Such term does not include any lands the title to which is—

(A) held by the United States;

(B) held in trust by the United States for the benefit of any Indian tribe or individual,

(C) held by any Indian tribe or individual subject to a restriction by the United States against alienation, or

(D) held by any Native Corporation as defined in section 1602 of title 43.

(6) The term “Secretary concerned” means—

(A) the Secretary of Agriculture, with respect to Federal lands administered by that Secretary; and

(B) the Secretary of the Interior with respect to Federal lands administered by that Secretary.

(7)(A) The term “unprocessed timber” means trees or portions of trees or other roundwood not processed to standards and specifications suitable for end product use.

(B) The term “unprocessed timber” does not include timber processed into any one of the following:

(i) Lumber or construction timbers, except Western Red Cedar, meeting current American Lumber Standards Grades or Pacific Lumber Inspection Bureau Export R or N list grades, sawn on 4 sides, not intended for remanufacture.

(ii) Lumber, construction timbers, or cants for remanufacture, except Western Red

Cedar, meeting current American Lumber Standards Grades or Pacific Lumber Inspection Bureau Export R or N list clear grades, sawn on 4 sides, not to exceed 12 inches in thickness.

(iii) Lumber, construction timbers, or cants for remanufacture, except Western Red Cedar, that do not meet the grades referred to in clause (ii) and are sawn on 4 sides, with wane less than ¼ of any face, not exceeding 8¾ inches in thickness.

(iv) Chips, pulp, or pulp products.

(v) Veneer or plywood.

(vi) Poles, posts, or piling cut or treated with preservatives for use as such.

(vii) Shakes or shingles.

(viii) Aspen or other pulpwood bolts, not exceeding 100 inches in length, exported for processing into pulp.

(ix) Pulp logs or cull logs processed at domestic pulp mills, domestic chip plants, or other domestic operations for the purpose of conversion of the logs into chips.

(8) The acquisition of unprocessed timber from Federal lands west of the 100th meridian in the contiguous 48 States to be used in “substitution” for exported unprocessed timber originating from private lands means acquiring unprocessed timber from such Federal lands and engaging in exporting, or selling for export, unprocessed timber originating from private lands within the same geographic and economic area.

(Pub. L. 101-382, title IV, § 493, Aug. 20, 1990, 104 Stat. 723.)

#### SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in section 620f of this title.

### § 620f. Regulations and review

#### (a) Regulations

The Secretaries of Agriculture and Interior shall, in consultation, each prescribe new coordinated and consistent regulations to implement sections 620 to 620j of this title on lands which they administer. The Secretary of Commerce shall promulgate such rules and guidelines as may be necessary to carry out sections 620 to 620j of this title. Except as otherwise provided in sections 620 to 620j of this title, regulations and guidelines under this subsection shall be issued not later than 9 months after August 20, 1990.

#### (b) Review

The Secretaries of Agriculture and Interior shall, in consultation, review the definition of unprocessed timber under section 620e(7) of this title for purposes of sections 620 to 620j of this title and, not later than 18 months after August 20, 1990, submit to the Congress any recommendations they have with respect to such definition. Specifically, the Secretaries shall report on the effects of maintaining 2 size standards under section 620e(B)(ii)<sup>1</sup> and (iii) of this title.

(Pub. L. 101-382, title IV, § 495, Aug. 20, 1990, 104 Stat. 725.)

#### SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in section 620b of this title.

<sup>1</sup> So in original. Probably should be section “620e(7)(B)(ii)”.

**§ 620g. Authorization of appropriations**

There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary to carry out sections 620 to 620j of this title.

(Pub. L. 101-382, title IV, § 496, Aug. 20, 1990, 104 Stat. 725.)

**§ 620h. Savings provision**

Nothing in sections 620 to 620j of this title, or regulations issued under sections 620 to 620j of this title, shall be construed to abrogate or affect any timber sale contract entered into before August 20, 1990.

(Pub. L. 101-382, title IV, § 497, Aug. 20, 1990, 104 Stat. 725.)

## REFERENCES IN TEXT

August 20, 1990, referred to in text, was in the original “the effective date of this title”, which is the date of enactment of title IV of Pub. L. 101-382, approved Aug. 20, 1990, except as otherwise provided in sections 620 to 620j of this title, see section 494 of Pub. L. 101-382, set out as an Effective Date note under section 620 of this title.

**§ 620i. Eastern hardwoods study****(a) Study**

The Secretary of Commerce, in conjunction with the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior, shall conduct a study of the export from the United States, during the 2-year period beginning on January 1, 1991, of unprocessed hardwood timber harvested from Federal lands or public lands east of the 100th meridian. In order to carry out the provisions of this section—

(1) the Secretary of Commerce shall require each person exporting such timber from the United States to declare, in addition to the information normally required in the Shipper's Export Declarations, the State in which the timber was grown and harvested; and

(2) the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior shall ensure that all hardwood saw timber harvested from Federal lands east of the 100th meridian is marked in such a manner as to make it readily identifiable at all times before its manufacture, and shall take such steps as each Secretary considers appropriate to ensure that such markings are not altered or destroyed before manufacturing.

**(b) Report to Congress**

Not later than April 1, 1993, the Secretary of Commerce shall submit to the Committees on Agriculture, Natural Resources, and Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs of the Senate a report describing the volume and value of unprocessed timber grown and harvested from Federal lands or public lands east of the 100th meridian that is exported from the United States during the 2-year period beginning on January 1, 1991, the country to which such timber is exported, and the State in which such timber was grown and harvested.

(Pub. L. 101-382, title IV, § 498, Aug. 20, 1990, 104 Stat. 725; Pub. L. 103-437, § 6(d)(35), Nov. 2, 1994, 108 Stat. 4585.)

## AMENDMENTS

1994—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 103-437 substituted “Natural Resources” for “Interior and Insular Affairs”.

## CHANGE OF NAME

Committee on Natural Resources of House of Representatives treated as referring to Committee on Resources of House of Representatives by section 1(a) of Pub. L. 104-14, set out as a note preceding section 21 of Title 2, The Congress.

Committee on Foreign Affairs of House of Representatives treated as referring to Committee on International Relations of House of Representatives by section 1(a) of Pub. L. 104-14, set out as a note preceding section 21 of Title 2.

**§ 620j. Authority of Export Administration Act of 1979**

Nothing in sections 620 to 620j of this title shall be construed to—

(1) prejudice the outcome of pending or prospective petitions filed under, or

(2) warrant the exercise of the authority contained in,

section 7 of the Export Administration Act of 1979 [50 App. U.S.C. 2406] with respect to the export of unprocessed timber.

(Pub. L. 101-382, title IV, § 499, Aug. 20, 1990, 104 Stat. 726.)

## SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in sections 620, 620b, 620c, 620d, 620e, 620f, 620g, 620h of this title.

**CHAPTER 5—PROTECTION OF FUR SEALS AND OTHER FUR-BEARING ANIMALS**

Sec.

631 to 654. Omitted or Repealed.

655. Agents to be disinterested.

656. Agents; administering oaths and taking testimony.

657, 658. Repealed.

659. Sea lions; acts prohibiting killing repealed.

**§ 631. Omitted**

## CODIFICATION

Section, acts Feb. 14, 1903, ch. 552, § 7, 32 Stat. 828; Mar. 4, 1913, ch. 141, § 1, 37 Stat. 736, vested control over fur seal, salmon, and other fisheries in Alaska in Department of the Interior.

**§§ 631a to 631q. Repealed. Pub. L. 89-702, title IV, § 408(a), Nov. 2, 1966, 80 Stat. 1098**

Sections were from act Feb. 26, 1944, ch. 65, §§ 1-17, 58 Stat. 100.

Section 631e amended by act Sept. 27, 1950, ch. 1056, 64 Stat. 1071.

Sections related to protection of fur seals and other fur-bearing animals as follows:

631a, Definitions,

631b, Pelagic sealing, sealing, or sea otter hunting in certain waters of North Pacific prohibited; use of ports of United States; importing illegally taken skins,

631c, Natives permitted to carry on pelagic sealing or sea otter hunting,

631d, Killing of seals on Pribilof Islands, other islands, and shores of waters under United States jurisdiction; permission to designated Fish and Wildlife Service officers and employees and Alaskan natives; pelagic sealing in emergencies,

631e, Sale of seal or sea otter skins; deposit of proceeds,

631f, Pribilof Islands a special reservation; landing on islands unlawful; penalties,